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TO AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

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E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: SCUL, SN, US

SUBJECT: HIPPOPOTAMUS FOR SINGAPORE ZOO

1. SMITHSONIAN INFORMS US THAT WASHINGTON ZOO WILL BE PRESENTING GIFT HIPPOPOTAMUS TO SINGAPORE ZOO SHORTLY. HIPPO WILL BE FLOWN TO SINGAPORE BY PAN AMERICAN (GRATIS) ACCOMPANIED BY CURATOR. PRESENTATION EXPECTED TO BE MADE SOME TIME DURING MONTH OF SEPTEMBER. SMITHSONIAN'S SINGAPORE CONTACT IN THIS TRANSACTION IS DR. ONG SEE LAW, CHAIRMAN, SINGAPORE ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

2. SMITHSONIAN POINTS OUT THAT PRESENTATIONS OF THIS NATURE CAN BE MADE ON BEHALF OF EITHER (A) THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OR (B) THE WASHINGTON NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK, AND HAS ASKED OUR VIEWS ON WHICH MIGHT BEST BE USED IN THIS CASE. FIRST OF THESE CARRIES CERTAIN AMOUNT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS CLOUD WHILE SECOND IS MORE PRO FORMA. SMITHSONIAN WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW WHETHER AMBASSADOR (OR CHARGE IF AMBASSADOR ON CONSULTATION IN U.S. ON PRESENTATION DATE) WOULD BE INTERESTED IN OFFICIATING AT PRESENTATION CEREMONY.

3. APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS. HABIB

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